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(NB)**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : JANIGRO, et al.
Application No. : 09/891,023
Group Art Unit : 1647
Examiner : Christopher J. Nichols
Filed : June 25, 2001

For: A PERIPHERAL MARKER OF BLOOD BRAIN BARRIER PERMEABILITY

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2003, Paper Number 8. The Office action set a shortened statutory period to reply set to expire three months from the mailing date of the Office action and a timely response is due no later than May 7, 2003. Accordingly, this Response filed this 1st day of May is timely filed. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted for the Examiner's consideration.